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# P Malcom Price Laboratory School R LS • NEWSLETTE

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Dear Parents,

As the 1991-92 school year begins, we welcome Dr. Linda Fernandez as the new director of the Price Laboratory School N/K-12 program. Dr. Fernandez will work with Elementary Principal, Lynn Nielsen, Secondary Principal, Nick Teig, school department heads, and faculty to guide the school's curriculum and innovative programs toward an exemplary model for educating youth for the 21st century. Under her leadership, Price Lab School will still serve as a laboratory and clinical base for preparing professional teachers as part of the Department of Teaching under UNI's College of Education.

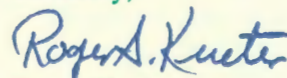
A new administrative structure will be implemented for the Department of Teaching with the addition of Dr. Fernandez. I will remain as department head and serve as administrator/leader of the department's two divisions - Price Lab School and the Office of Student Field Experiences. The latter office places and supervises student teachers in 10 teaching centers across the state. I will continue representing the Department of Teaching throughout the university community, the state, and the nation. Department offices will remain in Price Laboratory School, Room 116.

Dr. Fernandez joins Price Laboratory School after eight years as an administrator in the Cedar Rapids School District, most recently as Associate Principal for Curriculum and Instruction at Washington High School. Before that she held the same position at Kennedy High School in Cedar Rapids, and earlier was Associate Principal at Harding Junior High School. She received her doctorate degree from Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, Virginia. Her academic emphasis area concerns research on disabled students, evaluation, outcomes-based education, programming for at-risk youth, and computer usage.

Under Dr. Fernandez' guidance, we believe Price Laboratory School will continue and improve as an exemplary N/K-12 education program that challenges all students and recognizes each student's special talents. I invite you to attend opening activities for the school year in August when you can meet and welcome Dr. Linda Fernandez, Director, Price Laboratory School.

We also welcome all new PLS students and parents. All PLS parents will continue receiving this monthly newsletter since we received good comments on it last year. We have found it a valuable way to communicate with parents. If you ever have questions for classroom teachers, principals, or other PLS administrators, please contact the Elementary or Secondary offices.

Sincerely,



Roger Kueter  
Department of Teaching



## University Budget Reductions

As you know from the media, university departments are assessing their programs and activities to determine where a 5% cut can be realized in our operational/programmatic budget for the year 1992-93. The faculty of the Department of Teaching have been reviewing all programs and will be recommending modifications in programs and activities for the 1992-93 year. Our recommendations will be submitted to the College Dean and College Senate for their review.

Whatever program modifications are made for 1992-93 they will be communicated to you once a final decision is made. For the 1991-92 year, budget reductions were implemented by a hiring freeze and conservative allocations of dollars. Any reduction considerations will be made with the centrality of mission and maintaining quality of program in mind.

## Registration Days

We will be registering students, collecting fees, issuing lunch and activity tickets on Wednesday, August 14 from 11:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. and on Thursday, August 15 from 3:00 until 7:00 p.m. Please fill out the enclosed forms and bring them to school during the designated hours on one of the two registration days. School pictures will be taken for Grades 7 through 12 only on Registration Days. Elementary pictures are scheduled for Thursday, October 3, 1991.

## Insurance Forms

The school has purchased catastrophic insurance on all students that provides coverage in all school-related activities. This insurance has been arranged through the Iowa High School Athletic Association. It does not replace the need for school or family health insurance; it only supplements such coverage. This insurance goes into effect after the first \$25,000 in medical expenses (in one year) related to a school accident has been covered by the individual or another insurance company.

## Emergency Cards

In this packet of materials, you will find two emergency cards for each child enrolled. We ask that you fill out both the small rolodex emergency card which will be kept in the Health Office and the full-page emergency card which will be taken whenever students leave the building for field excursions or athletic trips.

## What is PTP?

Price Lab established its own parent-teacher support group, Parents and Teachers in Partnership (PTP) rather than affiliate with PTA, which requires paying state and national dues.

PTP is a financial support group, and it has contributed in the past to senior scholarships, playground equipment, classroom materials and equipment, the post-prom party and other areas of need. The money comes primarily from the Spring carnival and membership dues. Last year we added another fund-raiser specifically for playground equipment, and that has now been ordered.

Our goal is to have 100% membership this year. If all elementary and secondary families and teachers join, we will take in over \$1,500 from dues alone.

Please be a strong supporter of your school. Join PTP. Membership information will be included in the registration materials, and officers will be available at registration and on September 17 at our open house. Thank you for your support.

- Luann McAdams  
President of PTP



## Calendar

A comprehensive school calendar for 1991-92 has been included with this mailing. Subsequent issues of the PLS Newsletter will include updates on monthly events,

### SPECIAL DATES TO REMEMBER

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| August 14    | -- | Elementary and Secondary School Registration and<br>Secondary School Pictures<br>11:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. School Lobby |
| August 15    | -- | Elementary and Secondary School Registration and<br>Secondary School Pictures<br>4:00 - 7:00 p.m. School Lobby       |
| September 2  | -- | Labor Day Vacation   |
| September 17 | -- | PTP Open House<br>(N-12 parents and students)<br>7:00 p.m. Butzier Auditorium  |
| October 3    | -- | Elementary School Pictures   |



# \*\*\*ELEMENTARY NEWS\*\*\*

## First Week's School Hours

For children in grades 1-6, the 1991-92 school year will begin on Tuesday, August 27, 1991. On the first two days of school, elementary children will be dismissed at 11:30 a.m. There will be no afternoon classes for elementary children because of parent conferences.

Normal school hours for the elementary school are 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Lunch dismissal is 11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Students should not arrive at school before 8:15 a.m. as there is no supervised playground and they are not allowed to go to their classrooms before 8:20 a.m. They will be counted tardy if they are not in their classrooms at 8:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. Your cooperation in helping time your child's arrival at school will be greatly appreciated.

## Nursery-Kindergarten

For nursery/kindergarten children, August 27-28 will be devoted to Parent-Teacher conferences. We ask that parents of children in the nursery/kindergarten program sign up for a conference during registration days August 14-15. Parents of students entering the PLS nursery or kindergarten classes for the first time should bring to the conference the completed physical and immunization forms, the questionnaire about the child, and a copy of the child's birth certificate if it was not available at the Round-Up or the time of preregistration. One-hour "mini-classes" will be held on Thursday, August 29. The time each child will attend mini classes will be scheduled at the conference on Tuesday or Wednesday. On Friday, August 30, the kindergarten students will attend in the morning (8:30-11:15 a.m.) which is the regular Friday schedule. The first full day of classes for all nursery/kindergarten children will be Tuesday, September 3, 1991.



## Class Lists

Elementary class lists will be posted in the main school lobby on registration days August 14-15, 1991.

## Parent Conferences

We will start the school year with parent conferences. Classes will be held in the morning only (8:30-11:30 a.m.) during the first two days of school. In order to schedule times for parent conferences, we ask that parents sign up for a conference when registering their children on August 14-15.

## Safety Patrol

The school Safety Patrol will operate at three points of traffic: 1) 19th and Summit; 2) 19th and Campus; and 3) 20th and Campus. Please instruct your children to cross streets at these points as they come to school. Patrol students will be on duty from 8:15-8:30 a.m. before school and 3:00-3:10 p.m. after school.

## Parking

For safety reasons, please do not park on Campus Street in front of the school. Parents who wish to pick up or drop off students at school are asked to use the drop-off lane at the south end of the building near the primary playground. There are also a limited number of visitor parking spaces available in the "B" lot adjacent to the drop-off lane south of the building.

## Absences

When your child is going to be absent from school for any reason, we ask that you please contact Dody Olson, school nurse, at 273-2348 between 8:00 and 9:30 a.m. This procedure gives the school a check on students who are absent from school without parental knowledge. If the school has not been informed, the nurse will contact the parent either at home or place of employment to verify absence.





## Materials Necessary for Each Grade Level

The following is a list of supplies needed by each student for classroom use. Plan to send these on the first day of classes.

### Nursery-Kindergarten

box of tissues  
paint shirt  
wide-tip markers

### Grade 1

pencils  
scissors  
white glue (to fit inside pencil box)  
crayons  
2 pocket folders with pockets at bottom  
pencil box  
box of tissues  
eraser  
markers (water soluble)

### Grades 2 and 3

1 box of crayons  
1 box of water-color markers  
small box to keep supplies in  
pair of scissors (labeled with name)  
box of tissues for classroom use  
3 pencils  
eraser  
gluestick  
1-pair gym shoes (for daily P.E. class)

### Grade 4

2 boxes of tissues  
2 - #2 lead pencils  
eraser  
wide-lined spiral notebook  
2 pkgs. wide-lined, loose-leaf paper  
2 pocket folders  
small bottle of glue  
scissors  
box of crayons  
water color markers or colored pencils  
ruler  
ball point pen  
(No Trapper Keepers, please)

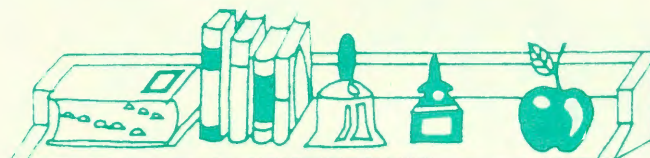
### Grade 5

3 pkgs. wide-lined, loose-leaf paper  
water soluble markers (i.e. Crayola)

ruler  
box of crayons (24 ct. or larger)  
8-#2 pencils  
eraser  
scissors  
2 blue or black ball point pens  
2 box of tissues  
white school glue or glue stick  
colored pencils  
2 audio cassette tapes (30 min./side)

### Grade 6

box of tissues  
scissors  
3-ring notebook (No Trapper Keepers)  
wide-lined, loose-leaf notebook paper  
3-8 1/2x11" wide-lined spiral notebook  
#2 lead pencils  
magic markers (Crayola, Flair for outlining)  
12" ruler  
white glue  
3 folders w/pockets



## Lunchroom Procedures

Although a school hot lunch program is provided, we do encourage children to eat lunch at home whenever possible as this can be a pleasant break in the school day.

For those who choose to eat hot lunch at school, tickets may be purchased in the office. The price of lunches will be \$1.25 per day (\$6.25 - 5-day ticket and \$25.00 - 20-day ticket). For the convenience of everyone, we encourage purchase of multiple lunch tickets whenever possible.

Students who forget their money or must unexpectedly eat at school may charge one lunch on an emergency basis only. Reduced price or free lunches are available for families with restricted incomes and those receiving welfare assistance. Application forms are included in this mailing.

For those bringing a sack lunch or desiring extra milk, half-pint cartons of milk will be available. Ticket prices are \$.75 - 5-day ticket and \$3.00 - 20-day ticket. Students who eat at school during the noon hour may not leave the school grounds without a note from a parent giving approval for such plans.



## Fees for 1990-91

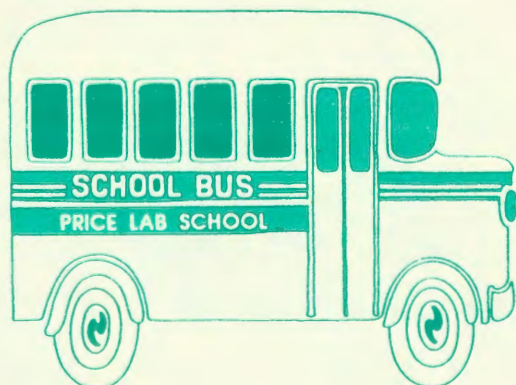
Nursery Registration	\$200.00 per semester (half-day program)
Nursery Registration	\$400.00 per semester (full-day program)
Room Fees (gr. N/K)	40.00 per semester (half-day program)
Room Fees (gr. N/K)	80.00 per semester (full-day program)
Book Fees (gr. 1-6)	15.00 per year
Room Fees (gr. 1-6)	25.00 per year
Instrument Rental Fee	45.00 per year

The book fee helps to offset the costs of maintaining up-to-date textbooks in the classrooms. Room fees help defray the costs of items such as towels and swimsuits, safety glasses and consumable materials for various classroom activities.

Book and room fees should be paid by Wednesday, September 4. First semester nursery registration fee is due September 5, with the second semester fee due Monday, January 20. Students who will continue using school instruments should pay the rental fee by September 4; new students and those who will begin instrumental music this year must pay the rental fee before receiving a school-owned instrument.

The office will begin accepting fees during registration days on Wednesday, August 14 from 11:30am-3:00pm and Thursday, August 15 from 3:00-7:00pm. Please make checks payable to Price Laboratory School.

Parents and/or students who wish to purchase NUHS Athletic Season Tickets may do so in the office after August 14. Cost of such tickets is \$15.00 per student and \$37.00 per adult. (Single game admission is \$2.00 and \$3.00 for football games; \$1.25 and \$2.50 for all other events.) Parents are encouraged to accompany and supervise elementary-aged children at all school events.



## School Pictures

School pictures for elementary children will be taken on Wednesday, September 4, 1991. Make-up picture day will be held on Wednesday, November 6, 1991.



## Bus Transportation

Free bus transportation is provided to Laboratory School students under two types of arrangements. Rural Cedar Falls students (K-12 only) may ride the Cedar Falls Community School bus without charge. Cedar Falls students who reside within the city, but are a great distance from school or located in a hazardous pedestrian area, may wish to purchase monthly bus transportation passes. Such passes are sold on a "space available" basis, and require children to walk to and from the most convenient pick-up point near their home. Information about these passes is available from Clair Brooks, Personnel Director for the Cedar Falls Community School District.

Cedar Falls Community School bus transportation for rural students, will be available on August 27. Transportation for non-rural Cedar Falls students who purchase monthly passes will begin as well on August 27.



# \*\*\*\*SECONDARY NEWS\*\*\*\*

## Classes Begin

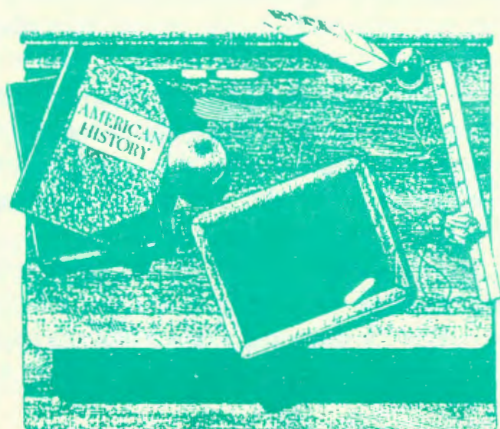
Northern University Junior and Senior High School will begin classes on Tuesday, August 27 at 8:00 a.m. in the Butzier Auditorium. At that time, students will be given instructions and report to their homerooms where they will be given their individual class schedules. Following the homeroom meetings, an abbreviated morning schedule will be in effect. Afternoon classes will meet as normally scheduled.

## Lockers

Students are to use the locker assigned to them. Locks are not provided by the school and it is expected that the student will have a secure lock with them the first day of classes and keep that lock on their locker and locked at all times. Preferably, they should be high quality combination padlocks, but key locks are acceptable. Should keys be lost or forgotten, however, it may be necessary to cut keyed padlocks off student lockers thereby necessitating replacement.

## Absences

We ask that parents call the Attendance Office (273-2185) between 7:00 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. when your student is unable to attend classes. This procedure gives the school a check on students who may be absent from school without parental knowledge, and it alerts the nurse to situations where a student has been seriously ill, thus allowing an opportunity to adjust the academic expectations for that student. We do need to be informed daily if the student is absent more than one day. Please note: **We will attempt to contact a parent either at home or place of employment if a call is not received.**



## Change of Address

We need to be notified immediately of any change of address or telephone number.

## Student Records

Cumulative student records may be examined by parents on request. Appointments for that purpose may be made by calling the Guidance Office at 273-2220.

## School Pictures

Pictures will be taken on Registration Days, August 14 and 15 for all students in Grades 7 through 12. Seniors do not need to have theirs taken unless they wish to obtain a school identification card. All other students need to be photographed for the yearbook and parents have the option of purchasing or not. However, if the student is photographed as YEARBOOK ONLY, pictures may not be purchased from that sitting. Payment must be made at the time the student is photographed and checks need to be made out to Lifetouch Studios.

Pictures re-takes and make-up day will be October 3 for grades N/K-12.

## Physicals

Physical examinations are required for all students entering Grade 7 and Grade 10 and for all new students. Athletic physicals meet this requirement. If a student wishes to participate in athletics, physicals are required each year and a student will not be allowed to begin practice until a physical form is on file in the nurse's office. A form has been provided with this mailing for all Grade 7 and Grade 10 students. Athletes will need to pick up forms in the High School Office. Some doctors do have our form. Immunization records are required of new students also.

## Summer Office Hours

The office is generally open from 7:00 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. However, because of vacations the office may not be covered at all times. If you plan to stop in, please call ahead to see that someone is in the office.



## PROGRAM REDUCTION/ELIMINATION

After the printing of this newsletter, changes were made in the status of the Nursery/kindergarten program. Because of the actions of the Governor and the financial condition of the state of Iowa, the University of Northern Iowa and the Laboratory School have been required to cut budgets. As a result, there will be no nursery program starting immediately with this school year and there will be no full-day kindergarten program. There will be two half-day kindergarten programs offered during the 1991-92 school year. Parents of children directly affected received a letter from the school late in July. If you were previously unaware of these changes, please disregard the sections of this newsletter which deal with the nursery program and the full-day kindergarten. If you have questions about any aspects of these changes or if you have concerns about the start of the school year, please do not hesitate to contact Lynn Nielsen, Elementary Principal at 273-2514.

## SCHOOL PICTURES

You will note the newsletter states under "School Pictures" that elementary children will be photographed on Wednesday, September 4, 1991. This date is **incorrect**. The correct date is Thursday, October 3, 1991. A reminder will be sent home with the students the day before picture day.



# PLS School Lunch Menus

## AUGUST - SEPTEMBER 1991



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	<b>Aug. 27</b> Taco Salad Buttered Bread Apple Pudding	<b>Aug. 28</b> Hot Dog Tatar Rounds Diced Peaches	<b>Aug. 29</b> Baked Chicken Potato Salad Baked Beans Buttered Bread Orange Half	<b>Aug. 30</b> Egg <u>or</u> Tuna Salad Sandwich Vegetable Sticks Fruit Cocktail Carrot Cake
<b>Sept. 2</b>  Labor Day  No School	<b>Sept. 3</b> Turkey Burrito w/lettuce,cheese Green Beans Diced Pears Peanut Butter Bar	<b>Sept.4</b> Hamburger Potatoes Au Graten Peaches	<b>Sept. 5</b> Sausage Links Macaroni & Cheese Mixed Vegetables Apple Crisp	<b>Sept. 6</b> BBQ'd Rib Sandwich Corn Fresh Fruit
<b>Sept. 9</b> Pizza Sub Sandwich Vegetable Sticks Diced Peaches Choc. Chip Bar	<b>Sept. 10</b> Chili-Cheese Casserole w/corn bread Peanut Butter Stix	<b>Sept. 11</b> Chicken Sandwich Cole Slaw <u>or</u> Macaroni Salad Orange Jello w/Fruit	<b>Sept. 12</b> Spaghetti Garlic Bread Lettuce Salad Pears	<b>Sept. 13</b> Hoagie Sandwich w/lettuce & tomato Fresh Fruit Pineapple Cake
<b>Sept. 16</b> Hot Ham 'n Cheese Sandwich Fruit Cocktail Salad Carrot Sticks Cookie	<b>Sept. 17</b> Turkey Chow Mein Peanut Butter Sandwich Stir-Fry Vegetables Orange Half	<b>Sept. 18</b> Pork Pattie Sandwich Carrots Au Gratin Pineapple Chunks	<b>Sept. 19</b> Beef 'N Bean Burrito Apple Sauce Cake	<b>Sept. 20</b> Sloppy Joe Hamburger Tatar Rounds Carrot Sticks Fresh Fruit
<b>Sept. 23</b> Hot Dog French Fries Fresh Fruit	<b>Sept. 24</b> Taco Casserole Corn Muffin Lettuce Salad Diced Pears	<b>Sept. 25</b> Toasted Cheese Sandwich Chicken/Noodle Soup Peaches	<b>Sept. 26</b> Baked Potato/ Topping Choices Layered Lettuce Salad Apple Sauce	<b>Sept. 27</b> Ham Salad <u>or</u> Peanut Butter Sandwich Chips Apple
<b>Sept. 30</b> Turkey Sandwich Mashed Potatoes/Gravey Green Beans Fruit Cocktail				